

Federal Program Compliance Division Program Monitoring Validations

ESSA Private Nonprofit Schools (PNP) Equitable Services

Timely and Meaningful Consultation to include PNP Affirmations of Consultation

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Documentation Requested



Documenting overall compliance for a program requirement may require several forms of documentation to be maintained locally and available upon request by TEA and/or an auditor.

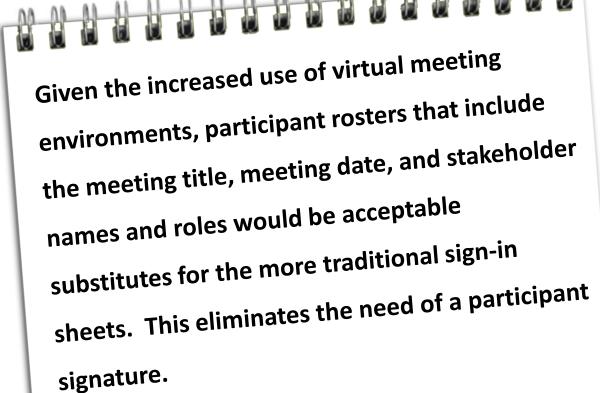
To ensure overall compliance with program requirements, LEAs should refer to the Program Guide and/or other program-related resources that reference the multiple forms of documentation required to be maintained locally.

The documentation requested for submission during the validation process may not include all forms of documentation that are required to be maintained locally.



Meeting Documentation







ESSA Statutory Requirement – Title I, Part A, PNP Timely and Meaningful Consultation

Title I, Part A Programs

ESSA Section 1117(b)(1)

- (b) Consultation
- (1) In General. To ensure timely and meaningful consultation, a local educational agency shall consult with appropriate private school officials during the design and development of such agency's programs under this part. Such agency and private school officials shall both have the goal of reaching agreement on how to provide equitable and effective programs for eligible private school children, the results of which agreement shall be transmitted to the ombudsman designated under subsection (a)(3)(B).



ESSA Statutory Requirement – Title VIII PNP Timely and Meaningful Consultation

Title VIII Programs (Titles IC, IIA, IIIA, IVA, IVB)

ESSA Section 8501(c)(1)

- (c) Consultation
- (1) In General. To ensure timely and meaningful consultation, a State educational agency, local educational agency, educational service agency, consortium of those agencies, or entity shall consult with appropriate private school officials. Such agency and private school officials shall both have the goal of reaching an agreement on how to provide equitable and effective programs for eligible private school children.



ESSA Statutory Program Requirement – Titles I, Part A, and VIII: Timely and Meaningful Consultation to Include PNP Affirmations of Consultation

Affirmations of Consultation Program Requirement

The LEA shall maintain in the agency's records and will provide to TEA a written affirmation signed by officials of each participating private school that the meaningful consultation required has occurred. The written affirmation shall provide the option for private school officials to indicate such officials' belief that timely and meaningful consultation has not occurred or that the program design is not equitable with respect to eligible private school children. If such officials do not provide such affirmation within a reasonable period, the LEA shall forward to TEA the documentation that such consultation has, or attempts at such consultation have, taken place.

ESSA, Title I, Part A, Section 1117(b)(5) and Title VIII, Part F, Section 8501(c)(5)



ESSA Consolidated Application – Timely and Meaningful Consultation Title I, Part A, Program-Specific Provisions and Assurances

Assurances Relating to Title I, Part A, Program, PNP Consultation

To ensure timely and meaningful consultation, the LEA shall consult with appropriate private school officials during the design and development of the LEA's Title I, Part A, programs. The LEA and private school officials shall both have the goal of reaching agreement on how to provide equitable and effective programs for eligible private school children.



ESSA Consolidated Application – Timely and Meaningful Consultation Title VIII Program-Specific Provisions and Assurances

Assurances Relating to Title VIII Programs (Title I, Part C; Title II, Part A; Title III, Part A, English Learner; Title III, Part A, Immigrant; and Title IV, Part A), PNP Consultation

The LEA will provide services to eligible children attending private elementary schools and secondary schools in accordance with Section 8501, and timely and meaningful consultation with private school officials regarding such services.

[Title I, Part C (#4, pages 43); Title II, Part A (#4, pages 57-58); Title III, Part A English Learner (#4) pages 60-61; Title III, Part A Immigrant (#4, page 63); Title IV, Part A (#4, pages 64-65)]



ESSA Statutory Assurances – Titles I, Part A, and VIII: Timely and Meaningful Consultation to Include PNP Affirmations of Consultation

Affirmation of Consultation Assurance

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ESSA, Title I, Part A, Section 1117(b)(5) and Title VIII, Part F, Section 8501(c)(5)



LEA Compliance Report: PNP Compliance Self-Check – Timely and Meaningful Consultation

The LEA conducted timely and meaningful consultation with participating PNP school officials regarding the implementation of the ESSA programs according to ESSA Sections 1117 and/or 8501, as appropriate.

The consultation occurred before the LEA made any decisions that affect the opportunities of eligible PNP school children, teachers, and other educational personnel to participate in the program, and continue throughout the implementation and assessment of program activities.

[ESSA Sections 1117(b)(1) and 8501(c)]





Documentation Required—

PNP Timely and Meaningful Consultation

Documentation Required

1.1

Evidence of ongoing consultation [Meeting agendas]



Acceptable Documentation

Meeting agendas from <u>two</u> 2024-2025 ongoing LEA-PNP consultation meetings.

**For selected LEAs, TEA will also compare the 2024-2025 PNP Affirmation of Consultation forms submitted via the PNP Affirmations WorkApp and the 2024-2025 ESSA Consolidated Compliance Report, PR3099 Schedule, Part B, data to ensure that the number of participating PNP schools matches the number of affirmations submitted.



Documentation Required—

PNP Timely and Meaningful Consultation (continued)

Documentation Required

1.2

Evidence of ongoing consultation [Meeting notes]

Acceptable Documentation

Meeting notes from the 2024-2025 LEA-PNP consultation meetings referenced in item 1.1, documenting ongoing consultation.





Timely and Meaningful Consultation to Include PNP Affirmations of Consultation

Documentation Required –

Written documentation supporting timely and meaningful private nonprofit (PNP) consultation meetings

[To include TEA review of signed PNP Affirmations of Consultation forms submitted and the alignment with LEA's approved PR3099 Compliance Report]





Issues that may result in an "Improvement Needed" status

- Auditable documentation from the applicable PMV request was not submitted
- Documentation submitted did not reference the requested PNP validation requirement
- Documentation did not indicate ongoing consultation occurred during the specified year
- Documentation did not provide two dated samples from the requested school year
- Total signed Affirmation of Consultation forms for participating private nonprofit (PNP) schools per program, submitted via WorkApp, did not align with the LEA's ESSA PR3099 PNP Compliance Report data in the same year



Resources and Support



2025-2026 Program Monitoring Validations Process Online Resources



Overall Process Resources

- 2025-2026 PMV Process Handbook
- Instructions for Submitting Documentation, Training Video, and Training Slides
- Navigating the Smartsheet WorkApp System Video

Program-Specific Resources

- Guidance Documents for each Program/Requirement
- Training Videos and Training Slides for each Program/Requirement

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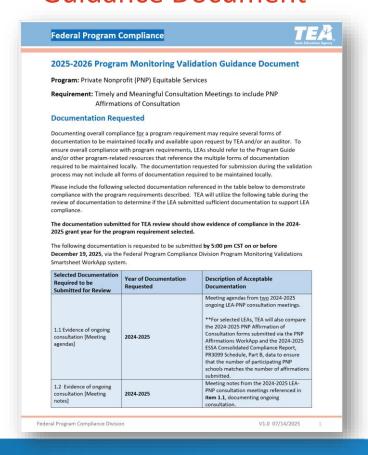


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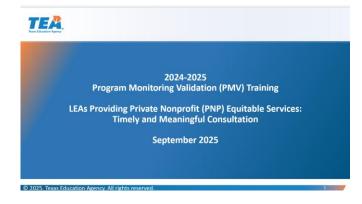
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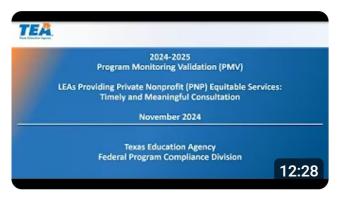
Guidance Document



Training Slides



Training Video





Federal Program Compliance Division Program Monitoring Validations – PNP Timely and Meaningful Consultation



- Education Service Center (ESC) Support
 - Complimentary technical assistance and training are available from each regional ESC



Education Service Center ESSA Basic Services Initiative

LEA Private Nonprofit (PNP) Equitable Services Training, Technical Assistance and Guidance

- LEA PNP Equitable Services Requirements for Title I,
 Part A, and Title VIII Programs
- LEA ESSA Consolidated Grant Application, PS3099
 Schedule
- LEA ESSA Consolidated Compliance Report, PR3099
 Schedule
- LEA PNP Equitable Services Program Monitoring Validations





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